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## Location:

The Rostselmash Agricultural Machine Eactory is located on the northeast edge of ROSTOV (39044 E/47014'N), Rostov Oblast, on the road to SHAKHTI and one mile northeast of the ROSTOV freight station. The northeast ROSTOV suburb and suburban railroad station are also called SELMASH.

## 2. Plant installations:

struction work, mainly by German PWs, started in 1945. Production was resumed in the first repaired departments in the fall of 1946. It was planned to reconstruct all installations by the October Revolution Day 1948 but this was not it may have been postponed until the summer of 1949. The plant area, about 1,500 x 3,000 feet, is densely covered with buildings. Some of the new workshops had been dismantled in one of the Hermann Goering Plants in the Soviet Zone of Germany and were set up in the Rostselmash Agricultural Machine Factory. All the plant machinery, mostly from Germany, is new. Work was done at an assembly line. Only the foundry equipment was relatively primitive but it was being continually improved by novel machines. A railroad

The plant was almost completely destroyed in the war.

Work force:

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Soviet cadre workers spoke of 24,000, but this was thought to be overrated. About 1,300 PWs did construction

spur track with several branch lines and three factory owned

locomotives is available. For plant layout, see Annex.

Production:

NAVY

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Combines and five-bladed plows.

Comment:

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- a. The Rostselmash Plant is carried as number 80 on the ROSTOV town map, dated August 1941. About 20,000 workers were employed there before the war; thus, the reported number of workers may be correct.
- b. The reported location of the plant is correct.
- c. The plant installations are reported for the first time. The data on the attached sketch require confirmation.
- 1 Annex: Rostselmash Agricultural Machine Factory in ROSTOV.

## Legend to Annex:

- 1 Three administration buildings
- Four entrances with approach roads, the southern one being blocked
- 3 Gardener's grounds
- 4 Garage
- 5 PW Camp No 7182/2
- 6 Dwelling house
- 7 Apprentices' school building
- 8 Old building, formerly occupied by PWs
- 9 Locomotive shed
- 10 Coal dump
- 11 Mechanical workshop
- 12, 13 Warehouse, 90 x 450 feet, with loading ramp for railroad freight cars; flats for plant officials on the second floor.
- 14 Assembly hall and paint shop ) 90 x 450 feet
- 15 Hardening and cleaning department)
- 16 Foundry, 75 x 180 feet
- 17 Mechanical workshop, 90 x 450 feet
- 18 Carpentry
- 19 Drying room
- 20 Slag concrete department
- 21 Timber dump
- 22 Sawmill
- Power plant, 60 x 120 feet, with smokestack

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| 24          | Forge )<br>):90 x 450 feet         |
|-------------|------------------------------------|
| 2 <b>4a</b> | Blacksmith's shop)                 |
| 25          | Foundry, 120 x 240 feet            |
| 26          | New small workshop                 |
| 27          | Gasworks, 60 x 180 feet            |
| 28          | New large workshop, 180 x 450 feet |
| 29          | War material dump                  |
| 30          | Iron and rail dump                 |
| <b>ሚ</b> ግ  | Soviet convicts' camp.             |

